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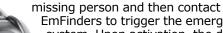
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EmFinders Program

The Chula Vista Police Department is the first in the region to provide the emergency location system known as EmFinders. The Chula Vista EmFinders Program, operated by the Senior Volunteer Patrol,

supplements the existing Chula Vista Assist program with helping to find adults who may wander and become lost.

The EmFinders nationwide emergency location system works directly with emergency 911 dispatchers to reduce the amount of time it takes to locate a missing adult. If a loved one wearing the device—about the size of a wristwatch—is missing or has wandered, caregivers can activate the device by first calling 911 to report the



EmFinders to trigger the emergency location system. Upon activation, the device determines the wearer's location and immediately places a call to 911. Emergency dispatchers can then direct police officers to the location.

The Chula Vista PD has a limited number of EmFinders devices available at no cost to adults that have a cognitive disability such as Autism or Alzheimers, have a history of wandering

or becoming lost, and who have successfully completed a brief screening for eligibility. Applications to the EmFinders program may be completed by a qualifying resident, or by their caregivers or loved ones with their expressed consent, and screenings are generally completed over the phone.

Residents interested in applying for the EmFinders program may contact the Senior Volunteer Patrol office at (619) 476-2588. Funding for the program is provided by the Chula Vista Police Foundation, a non-profit organization supporting the mission of the Police Department.



Contacts

Animal Care Facility

Animal Control Adoptions/Fostering Volunteering Online ACF

476-2476 691-5123 691-5000 CLICK HERE

691-5041

691-5031

691-5296

691-5280

City Attorney

City Clerk

691-5037

City Manager/Administration

Main Line Communications/ Media Relations **Economic Development**

409-5870

Code Enforcement

Development Services Land Development 691-5024 691-5272 691-5101 Building **Planning** 691-5248 691-5047 Small Business Services Redevelopment & Housing CLICK HERE Redev. & Housing Online

Finance

Main Line Purchasing Business Lic. Online 691-5250 691-5141 CLICK HERE

691-5096 691-5095

691-5000

691-5069 585-5755

Coming Soon 691-5000

CLICK HERE

691-5044

409-5900

409-3893

691-5122

691-5021

691-5198 911

691-5122

691-5122

397-6000

CLICK HERE 233-3004

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Fire

Emergency Main Line 691-5055 691-5029 Prevention Division Prevention Online CLICK HERE

Human Resources Main Line Job Hotline

Volunteering

Civic Center Branch South Branch Otay Ranch Branch Volunteering Online Branch

Mayor & City Council

Nature Center Nature Center Online

CLICK HERE Police

Report Crime/Dispatch Report Crime Online CLICK HERE

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Conservation Division **CLEAN Business Program** CLEAN Program Online **Environmental Services** Engineering Graffiti Hotline Graffiti IN PROGRESS Household Hazard. Waste Park Reservations Online Storm Water Hotline Recycling/Solid Waste Service Requests
Service Requests Online

Recreation

409-5979 CLICK HERE 691-5083 Administration Recreation Online CV Woman's Club 421-7032 691-5082 691-5081 Heritage Center Loma Verde Center Loma Verde Pool 691-5269 691-5086 476-5325 Montevalle Center Norman Park Center Otay Center 691-5088 691-5084 Parkway Center Parkway Pool Parkway Gym 585-5739 691-5260 Salt Creek Center **Veterans Center**

Book Club in a Box

Is your book club looking for a free and easy way to read and discuss together? Check out Book Club in a Box, now available from the Chula Vista Public Library. This instant kit, prepared by the library staff, is designed to save your book club time and energy. Inside each box you will find six or more copies of a popular book, background information on the book's author, a quick summary of the book, and questions to get your discussion going. The boxes and their contents can be checked out with your Chula Vista Public Library card for 12 weeks, and can be renewed twice if no one else is waiting for them.

Popular Book Club titles ready for check-out, some as free

library ebooks, include: Almost Moon by Alice Sebold; Chula Vista Centennial by Steven Schoenherr; Bridge of Sighs by Richard Russo; Revolutionary Road by Secret Life of Bees by Sue Monk Kidd. More

Richard Yates; and The

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LED Lights = Less Energy



Energy efficient LED lighting will light up Chula Vista's Civic Center complex over the holidays at no cost to the City. The display, featuring more than 250 light strands on buildings and palm trees, is part of an effort to encourage residents and businesses to make the switch to newer and safer energy saving technology.

Chula Vista's holiday lights and installation are fully funded through the City's Local Government Partnership with San Diego Gas & Electric and the California Public Utilities Commission. The Partnership has allowed the City to upgrade its facilities with more energy-efficient lighting, heating, and air conditioning and provide no-cost energy services to the community. In addition, Sears is sponsoring the extra energy costs of the display estimated at \$50 for the entire holiday season. Find additional energy efficiency lighting and appliances at Sears and other retailers throughout the City.



Did You Know...

In partnership with ICLEI-Local Governments for Sustainability and Office Depot, Chula Vista launched its Green Business Challenge at the City's centennial celebration on October 15. The Challenge is a friendly year-long competition for businesses in Chula Vista to conserve energy and water, reduce waste and pollution, save money, and participate in other sustainability initiatives.

From hotels to banks and restaurants, more than 100 businesses have become verified Chula Vista CLEAN businesses. Those that elect to participate in the Green Business Challenge will receive an assigned Sustainability Coach, free monthly trainings, free Office Depot Green Kit, and other special media promotions. For more information, please visit www.chulavistaca.gov/clean.





Upcoming Events

Starlight Parade

The Starlight Parade is celebrating its 50th year on Saturday, Dec. 3! The celebration kicks off at 6 p.m. with a Centennial themed nighttime parade. Don't miss the Mayor's tree lighting ceremony at 5:30 p.m. in Memorial Park, located at 373 Park Way. For more information, call the Third Avenue Village Association at (619) 422-1982.

St. Nick's Pet Pics

Capture the holiday spirit with the four-legged members of your family this year. Bring them to Santa's Photo Set at

the Otay Ranch Town Center. Santa welcomes all dogs and cats and has various photo packages available Monday evenings, Dec. 5 and 12 from 6-9 p.m. For more information, visit www.otayranchtowncenter.com

Christmas Circle

This long-standing holiday tradition opens **Dec. 10-26** from 5-10 p.m. Walk or drive through this enchanting neighborhood on Whitney and Mankato between First and Second Avenues, south of H Street.

City Holiday Closures

All City offices will be closed **Dec. 26-Jan. 2**.